

# House Resolution 32 - Introduced

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1 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_  
1 2 BY KUHN  
1 3 A Resolution commemorating the life and service of  
1 4 Command Sergeant Major Galen Kittleson of Toeterville,  
1 5 Iowa.  
1 6 WHEREAS, Iowa and the nation lost a remarkable man  
1 7 on May 4, 2006, with the passing of Command Sergeant  
1 8 Major Galen Kittleson; and  
1 9 WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Kittleson is  
1 10 remembered as a warrior, a liberator, and a patriot;  
1 11 and  
1 12 WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Kittleson's  
1 13 military service spanned four decades and active  
1 14 participation in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam; and  
1 15 WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Kittleson was the  
1 16 only person to serve as an Alamo Scout in World War II  
1 17 and later as a Green Beret; and  
1 18 WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Kittleson received  
1 19 three Silver Stars, three Bronze Stars, and the Purple  
1 20 Heart; and  
1 21 WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Kittleson helped  
1 22 free 511 prisoners who were on the Bataan Death March  
1 23 in the Philippines during World War II; and  
1 24 WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Kittleson formed  
1 25 the Boy Scout troop the Alamo Scouts of St. Ansgar,  
1 26 Iowa, in 1982, naming the unit after the group that  
1 27 was the forerunner to the U.S. Army Special Forces;  
1 28 and  
1 29 WHEREAS, unlike the old barracks ballad where "old  
1 30 soldiers never die, they just fade away", the life,  
2 1 exploits, and service of Command Sergeant Major  
2 2 Kittleson will be remembered for generations to come;  
2 3 and  
2 4 WHEREAS, the life of Command Sergeant Major  
2 5 Kittleson can be summed up in the words of his son who  
2 6 said: "A poor farmer's son from Iowa, Kittleson  
2 7 traveled far from his roots, finding courage and  
2 8 faith. And in doing so he earned the love of his  
2 9 family and the respect and gratitude of a nation.";  
2 10 and  
2 11 WHEREAS, Command Sergeant Major Kittleson was the  
2 12 subject of Charles W. Sasser's book, "Raider"; NOW  
2 13 THEREFORE,  
2 14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
2 15 That the House of Representatives notes with sorrow  
2 16 the passing of Command Sergeant Major Galen Kittleson  
2 17 and honors his decades of dedicated service to his  
2 18 community, his country, and his family.  
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